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## Local Matters.

### EASTON'S BEACH.

The Proposed Improvement to the Same—\$3000 Already Appropriated for Beginning the Work.

Easton's Beach and its unsightly surroundings have long been an eye-sore to the citizens of Newport and the thousands of strangers who seek her cooling breezes during the heated term, and the question of extended improvements to it is one of general, almost national interest. That this spot which should be one of the leading attractions of the forenoon watering place in the world, has been neglected is more than true, for it has been abused. For years the ground just north of the Beach was used as the burial place of all the dead horses in the city, and as a general depository for all the rubbish which people living in the vicinity might wish to rid their premises of. Of course a stop has been put to this unchristian work, but not until the natural beauty of the place had been greatly impaired.

A year or two ago the City Council appointed a Special Committee on Beach Improvements and instructed them to inquire into the needs of this hitherto neglected resort and report to that honorable body at some future meeting. Since that time the committee have been in correspondence with various parties upon the subject, and in some instances estimates for the necessary improvements have been obtained, but the figures have generally been too large even to be considered.

At the April meeting of the City Council, the committee presented their report recommending the adoption of certain plans, drawn by Mr. Clarence S. Luce, which accompanied the report, and the appropriation of \$3000 for beginning the work. The Council, however, were powerless to appropriate money for this purpose without a special act of the legislature, and the matter was referred to a special meeting when the public would be invited to inspect the plans and offer suggestions upon the same. The public meeting was held, it will be remembered, but the question of city sewage, which had been referred to the same meeting occupied so much time that the citizens received little or no enlightenment upon what was proposed for Easton's Beach, and the action of the City Council, Tuesday evening, in appropriating \$3000 for these improvements has caused a general inquiry, "What is to be done? What is proposed?"

The plans, as submitted by Mr. Luce, call for quite extensive alterations and improvements, and consequently quite an expenditure of money, but they are not arranged, it is claimed, that the need not necessarily be performed all at one time or by one appropriation, but that they are drawn with a view of giving a systematic basis upon which to perform the improvements made necessary from time to time, each improvement to be made with an idea of the whole.

Mr. Luce suggests, as the first movement in the proposed changes, the removal of all the buildings at present upon the premises, and the erection of a single building which shall provide all the necessary conveniences under one roof. This building, according to the plan, has an entrance hall with an open gallery around the same. On one side of the hall is a café, and on the other the usual offices for bath tokens and bathing dresses. A covered promenade extends, by means of wings, along the water side of the building. Under this promenade are the bath houses which are reached by two ample staircases on either side of the entrance hall. There are also two staircases leading to the open balcony above. Toilet rooms and a kitchen are also provided. The advantages of placing the bath houses under the promenade are apparent as they are reached with less inconvenience and are not as unsightly as detached buildings.

The Beach road, from the foot of the hill to the Middleton's line, is to be widened to the edge of the pond on the north with a well sodded plot in the middle, where it is believed, geraniums and many other plants of brilliant colors could be made to grow, which would give color to the landscape and be a relief to the glare of so much sand and water. It is suggested also that the road be raised to give more height to the building and prevent the possibility of water washing across the same at unusual tides. The confluence of the iron fence on the sea wall and the removal of the benches on the side-walks are recommended.

The plans also advise the laying out of a drive around the lower pond, which it is claimed could be done to advantage without the expense of a wall by paving along the margin of the pond a distance of five or six feet from the water's edge and sodding a small strip between it and the road. Parties owning the abutting lands, it is thought, would contribute liberally toward this improvement, making it little or no expense to the city. The erosion of a boat-house on this pond, directly opposite the pavilion, is also recommended, as it is believed it could be rented at a profit to parties who would stock the pond with pleasure boats.

The semi-annual meeting of the New England school superintendents will be held in Boston on May 23d.

### Business Changes.

The following business changes are being arranged for the near future:

Mr. Thomas M. Norman, boots and shoes, has leased the south store in Andrew Bryan's new block, where he expects to be ready for business early in July.

The Centennial Tea Company, Ira E. Weston, proprietor, which has leased the north store in H. E. Read's new block, expects to be demolished in its new quarters next week. The store vacated by this company has been leased to Fall River parties for a cheap clothing store.

The store in Mr. John M. Popple's building on Broadway has been leased by Messrs. Fogerty & Peckham, for a meat market.

Messrs. King & McDonald (Boston Store) have taken a lease of the Robert Lawton building on Thames street, and will probably take possession next autumn. Extensive alterations, we understand, are to be made to the building in the meantime, by making the entire lower floor into one store which will be enlarged by a liberal addition on the rear.

### Zion Church Anniversary.

The members of Zion church are making extensive preparations for observing their semi-centennial anniversary which occurs on Friday, June 13th. We mentioned the fact two weeks ago and gave the programme as far as it was laid out at that time. It is expected in addition to all the living rectors of the church, that Bishop Clark of Rhode Island, and the bishops of Connecticut and Massachusetts will be present as well as many distinguished divines from other places. Collations will be served both morning and evening. The choir are practising to render some fine music on that occasion. They propose, if possible, to render some music as was rendered fifty years ago, when the church was consecrated. Rev. Mr. Baker is to be ordained at the morning service in which exercises several distinguished clergymen will take part.

### New Telegraph Companies.

The Baltimore and Ohio Telegraph Company is rapidly approaching the city with its poles and wires, as is also the Bankers & Merchants Company. The former company has leased the office formerly occupied by the Mutual Union Company in the office of the New York and Boston Dispatch Express Company in the Gas Light Block, for a term of three years and appointed Mr. George W. Flagg, late manager of the Western Union and Mutual Union Companies, manager. The company has also leased a corner in the office of the Newport Transfer Company in Travers' Block, for a branch office. They expect to be ready for business on the first of June. The Bankers & Merchants will occupy an office in the Daily News Block.

### The Abundance of Scup.

This is the best season for scup which has been known in this vicinity for many years. They are not only found in immense quantities but are of unusual size and extra fine quality. From April 28, ultimo, to May 7, instant, inclusive, 4728 barrels and boxes of these excellent fish have been shipped from here to New York and Philadelphia markets and Church Bros., have forwarded from their establishment in Tiverton five schooner loads. They are found in snob liberal quantities that the markets are nearly flooded and the price have in consequence dropped from \$30 per barrel for the first lot to \$1 40 per barrel.

### A Hundred Thousand Dollar Yarn.

James Lynch who has been credited with having fallen heir to £20,000 through the death of a relative in Ireland, and who, it was said, left for the "old country" last Saturday, is still in Newport and may be seen most any day in the garb of his profession—a laborer. He is about 35 years of age and as ignorant as the average immigrants of his class. He says he has inherited some property but not such amount as has been credited him. He evidently does not consider it worth going for, as he says he would not know what to do with it if he had it.

### An Unknown Donor.

Last Saturday morning Mr. John H. Cozane received an anonymous letter postmarked New York, which contained fifty dollars for the fund of the Trinity church Sunday School, "from a friend of the school." The generous donor requested that his receipt be acknowledged in the Newport Inquirer. Mr. Cozane wishes us to express to the unknown giver the thanks of the school for his generous donation, and inform him that the same will be applied as requested. Mr. —— will therefore consider himself duly thanked.

### Bunk Stock at Auction.

Thomas W. Freeborn, auctioneer, disposed of the following shares of bank stock at a public auction, Wednesday: Three shares First National, at \$100 per share \$100, Wm. S. Cranston, purchaser; one share Newport National, at \$94 50, per share \$90, Wm. E. Dennis; Four shares New England Company, at \$16, per share \$50, Philip Rider.

The new management of the poor will soon be in working order. The leased property, with the temporary house thereon, is nearly ready for occupancy. The keeper and matron, Wm. S. Bacheller and wife, have been chosen, salary \$800 per annum. A board of management, to take the place of the asylum commissioners, has been chosen and during this month the poor will bid adieu to their home on Coasters' Harbor Island and seek the region of Broadway. Alderman Langley, Hopkins, Councilman Hamilton, Green and O'Neill will constitute the asylum board hereafter until the close of the municipal year.

The Mercury last week, in enumerating the names which appeared in the trades procession, inadvertently omitted the name of Mr. C. F. Frasch. It was noticeable a mile away, as that enterprising gentleman's equipage was one of the most conspicuous in the line.

There is a great need of a first class restaurant in this place. Any man that will start such a concern and make his prices as reasonable as they are in other cities, will have plenty of business. There is not a first class restaurant in the city.

### SUPREME COURT.

#### March Term—Adjourned Session.

An adjourned session of the March term of the supreme court opened here Monday morning, Chief Justice Durfee presiding.

The cases of Thomas Stanley vs. Almon P. Smith and J. W. Johnson vs. Michael F. Shes, were discontinued, and of Hawk & Weatherbee vs. Herman W. Bruen was continued.

In the case of Elizabeth S. Johnson vs. Elizabeth M. Sherman et al., defendants were given leave to file additional pleas.

In the case of Mary S. Flagg vs. Cliff Cottage Association, judgement rendered on verdict.

The first jury trial was the case of Holder N. Wilcox, guardian, vs. George Sayer, Tiverton parishes. This is a suit brought by the plaintiff, as administrator of the estate of Mary A. Wilcox, late of Tiverton, deceased, to recover a certain book book, bearing evidence of a deposit of \$1000 in the People's Savings Bank of Providence, which belonged to said deceased, and which, it is alleged, is unlawfully withheld by the defendant who came into possession of it by finding. The defendant claims that the deceased, a short time before her death, gave him the book to trust for Emma Mosher, a cousin of the deceased, and that he holds the book with a view of performing the conditions under which it was given. After being out six hours the jury failed to agree and the case was continued.

The second case to be tried by jury was that of the town of New Shoreham vs. Nicholas Ball, et al. This is an action of trespass and ejectment, brought by the plaintiff to decide the ownership of certain lands in New Shoreham at present occupied by the defendants. The case was given to the jury Thursday afternoon who rendered a verdict for the plaintiff.

Charles Hudson, held for the grand jury at the court of common pleas for an assault on Henry L. Knowe, was admitted to bail in the sum of \$2000, with Hiriam Murray as surety.

Thomas Shea was admitted to citizenship. In the case of Mary A. Murray vs. J. N. A. Griswold, S. R. Honey, counsel for defendant, filed his motion for a new trial.

The divorce petition of Aiden P. Bryant vs. Mary E. Bryant was granted.

The divorce petition of William Wyatt vs. Honesta Wyatt was granted.

Murray & Allen vs. Michael Kelley for an order to sell personal property; granted.

The case of the Newport Water Works vs. Naucy Hazard is on trial as we go to press.

### Those Plate-Glass Windows.

The plate glass show windows for A. C. Titus & Co.'s emporium arrived from England and were landed at Commercial Wharf in this city last Sunday morning.

The unfortunate catastrophe which befell the other lights several weeks ago was fresh in the minds of the citizens, and hundreds gathered on the wharf Monday morning to witness the loading and casting of this precious burden.

The Newport Transfer Company had taken the contract to do the casting and under the personal supervision of Mr. C. B. Mason the huge box was carefully and systematically placed upon its edge on a dray. Four men with poles were stationed, two on each side of the dray to steady the box, and one man at the horse's head, and when all was ready the team started. Followed by an immense throng, it passed up the wharf and through Thames street to the Gardner Building, where it was successfully deposited just inside the entrance.

On Tuesday, under the supervision of Mr. C. E. White, the immense lights, 10x14 feet, were successfully transferred from the box to the sash and the whole placed in position in the windows. The work of setting the glass was exceedingly difficult and its successful accomplishment reflected much credit upon those having it in charge. It was all nicely done, and the Messrs. Titus now have the satisfaction of knowing that their show windows are unsurpassed in New England.

On recommendation of the Committee on Streets and Highways, resolutions were adopted directing the Street Commissioner to do the following work under the supervision of the Highway Committee: Macadam Main avenue at an estimated cost of \$2000; sewer the north end of Gould street, \$375; sewer Bay View avenue, \$700; sewer Spruce court, \$200; sewer Gladning and Sunnyside court, \$350; sewer and repair Houston avenue, \$220; sewer and foot walk in Burrowside avenue, \$3000, and to erect a windmill with pump, etc., at Collins' Beach, at a cost not to exceed \$200. The purchase of five one-horse sprinkling carts at an estimated cost of \$205, was also ordered.

A legal grant of right-of-way for city sewers through the Old Colony Company's lands was read and accepted.

On recommendation of the Finance Committee a resolution was offered to pay Oban D. Haunmet \$130 50, for eight months and twenty one days' extra work while clerk of the Highway Department. This elicited some argument in the Board of Aldermen and an aye and nay vote was called for. It stood as follows: Yes—Kaull and Langley; No—Waters, Cottrell and Hopkins; and Mr. —— was declared elected.

### Royce S. FRANKLIN, Mayor.

A communication from City Marshal Congdon, recommending that the Mayor be authorized to appoint additional temporary members of the police force for the summer season, was read and received. This question created considerable argument in the Board of Aldermen. Mr. Langley thought twenty-six officers, if they did their duty, sufficient to protect the city. Mr. Waters thought that three men on Thames and Spring streets after twelve o'clock midnight decidedly insufficient; four or five at least should be on the former thoroughfare alone.

He thought the manner of selecting the officers entirely wrong, and was in favor of roundmen. Mr. Kaull could not understand why the night force should not be made to do duty all night as well as the day force all day.

A resolution, authorizing the Mayor to appoint not more than ten extra police constables to do regular duty during the summer, was then passed in the Board of Police Station at a cost not to exceed \$150.

A resolution was passed authorizing the committee on City Property to purchase in connection with the Webb lot for an engine house and ward room in the second ward, a strip of land adjoining said lot.

On recommendation of the committee on City Property, a resolution was passed authorizing repairs to the roof of the Police Station at a cost not to exceed \$150.

A resolution was passed authorizing the letting of those portions of Easton's Beach now occupied by Thomas Crosby and the heirs of the late Robert W. Goffe, to the same parties until November 1, 1884, at \$150 and \$75 respectively.

A resolution to allow John Mallory, who was seriously injured some time ago at Coasters' Harbor Island while in the employ of the city, \$50, passed the Common Council, but the Board of Aldermen believing that such an appropriation would be illegal, notwithstanding the resolution was voted for.

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**Poetry.****The Coming Flowers.**

Awake dear sleeper, from your winter tomb,  
The sun has raised the point of Capricorn,  
And gives to pluck from winter's wile the plumes  
Of darkness, and to wind his silver horn,  
For your return! Come to your home, forever,  
In absence of your odors and your faces;  
Like Rachel weeps for you the never more,  
As often as she views your empty places,  
Ever the daily scene of her and your embraces.

Come, pale snowdrop, like the earliest star  
That twinkles on the brow of dusky night;  
Come, like the child that peeps from door afar,  
With pallid cheek, upon a wasteful sight;  
And shouldst thou rise when all around is white,

The more thou'll demonstrate the power of God  
To shield the weak against the arms of might;

To strengthen feeble shoulders for their load,  
And sinking hearts' mild ill they could not forbode.

Come, crocus cup, the cup where early bees  
Sip the first nectar of the liberal year,  
Come and illumine our green, as similes  
Light up the poet's song. And O, ye dear March violets, come near, come breathing near!

You too, fair primroses, in darksome woods  
Shine forth, like heaven's constellations clear;

And come, ye daisies, throng in multitudes,  
And white hills and meadows with your saffron buds.

Come with thy lilies, May; thy roses, June;  
Come with your richer hues, autumnal hours;

O tell your mellowing sun, your regal moon,  
Your dewy drops, your soft, refreshing showers;

To lit their blessing bands in Flora's bower,  
Nor e'en to scorn the bloodweed's frosty gold,  
Nor foxglove's banner hung with purple flowers,

Nor solitary heath that cheers the wild,  
Nor the last daisy abivering in November's cold!

**The Shadow of the Cross.**

BY GEORGE L. HEATH.

If all my way on earth were bright  
And joyous as could be,  
I might forget the home of light  
That waits for me;  
If earthly riches manifold  
Were given unto me,  
I might forget the crown of gold,  
The crystal sea;  
If never earthly ties were given,  
I might not think  
That there was friendship known in heaven  
With breakless link;  
And so the all-wise Father sends  
A shadow o'er life's dreams,  
And heaven because of sainted friends,  
More lovely seems.  
And as we toil and struggle hard  
While in this vale we live,  
How soul-inspiring the reward  
That heaven shall give.

**Selected Tale.**

ALICE DAWSON.

Just about daybreak on the 23d of March, 1862, a large travelling dramatic combination arrived in one of our driving Western cities to disband for the season. In the waiting-room of the depot the members clustered together for a final parting. Some of them were going east that day; others had obtained engagements in the city for the remainder of the season, while still others knew not where to go. Two members of the company—my friend, Edwin Wells, and myself—had secured, as a temporary residence, an unoccupied house in the suburbs of the city. Mr. Dawson, the manager of the combination and the owner of the house, had offered us this place of abode provided we would care for the scenery and stage equipment he intended to store there. He would also send us the few articles of furniture necessary to make the house habitable.

After the city was astir we purchased a small stock of provisions and started for our rural retreat. Upon arrival at the premises we were somewhat surprised to find a modern stone structure, with turreted corners, mansard roof and high, gothic windows. It stood apart from the other buildings on the boulevard, was quite castellike in appearance, and surrounded by a grand park, with gravelled walks and arborized avenues. An immense brick stable stood far in the rear of the building, and in this the scenery was stored.

We entered the structure and found the interior in perfect keeping with its outside appearance. High decorated ceilings, massive carved doors, wide hallways, and immense staircases. After examining the house from top to bottom, we finally selected a second floor front room as our quarters, its size and easy access being more suitable for our use. A little later our things arrived, and we set up our bed and stove, kindled a fire, and in a short time the sight of glowing coals and the odor of boiling coffee made the room seem quite comfortable.

My companion had naturally an inquiring mind, and he had several times this morning said, quite abstractedly, "But why does not Mr. Dawson reside here?" I endeavored to find a reasonable answer to the question, but all my solutions of the problem were rejected by him as improbable, and the matter was at last dismissed for the time by his remark, "We shall soon know."

Edwin Wells and myself had entered the dramatic profession together years before, and had been separated but one season since, on which occasion he had secured an engagement as business manager for a travelling company. He possessed the secret

of mesmerism, and I had often witnessed his operations and wondered at his skill and judgement in the treatment of his "subjects." He was a remarkable man in many respects. He entertained strange notions on social and political matters, was extremely fond of solving problems of every kind, was a reader, a reasoner and an excellent talker.

After breaking my companion said that he had some business matters to attend to in the city—that he would start at once and return as soon as possible. I remained to receive our trunks when they should arrive. It was quite late in the afternoon when my friend returned, and I had closed the shutters, lighted a candle, and was repairing some of my wardrobe.

"Well," said he, after removing his hat and coat and seating himself on the bed. "I know now why Mr. Dawson does not live in this house." "And I suppose there is not much mystery about it either, is there?" "You may judge of that. But first let me take a cup of coffee and a roll, for I'm as hungry as the sea."

"How many acts are there in the tragedy you are about to relate?" I asked.

"Fear not, young man; it may not freeze thy young blood." Seriously, now, I will tell you what I have ascertained about this house."

"I shall not lose a word," I said. "Then, to begin at the beginning, I will tell you that Mr. Dawson, the owner of this house, is a very wealthy man. He manages combinations more for occupation and amusement than for gain. His father left him an immense property, and his investments have returned well. For nearly half a century the old homestead of the Dawson stood upon the site where this house now stands. About twenty years ago old Mr. Dawson died and the son shortly after married a wealthy and handsome lady. The old homestead was pulled down and this beautiful structure reared in its place. One child in all they ever had—a bright, beautiful boy. About six or eight years ago this boy met with an accident on a flight (just what manner I have not yet learned, which unseated his reason and left him what might be termed 'half-witted' periodically. Medical experts have only succeeded in giving partial relief, and I understand a permanent cure is despaired of by the parents. Mr. Dawson was often absent from his home for short seasons on the road, and his wife had urged him to adopt a child to comfort and relieve the long hours of solitude during his absence. At last, in despair of restoring his son's lost reason, he adopted a female child from a foundling home—a beautiful, intelligent child, whose parents were entirely unknown. Years passed. The girl was educated, refined, accomplished. Her every wish was gratified; money expended without a word; she had been sent abroad to complete her training in music and art. The most costly apparel and jewels had been given her. Her foster parents had humored her in her desire to adopt the stage as a profession. She was an apt scholar, and the time approached when she was to make her debut. She loved her parents dearly and was beloved by them—now about 18 years of age and a beautiful, intelligent, accomplished woman.

"In the meantime Alfred Dawson, the half-witted son, had grown to manhood. He was a fine looking fellow, with great broad shoulders, tremendous hands and arms—in fact a physical giant, but, alas! a mental pigmy. He spent the greater portion of his time with his horses and his dogs. One evening about this time Mr. and Mrs. Dawson and Alfred attended the opera, leaving Alice alone with the servants. She did not wish to go and she begged her mother to permit her to remain at home that she might spend the evening in writing. Reluctantly they permitted her to do as she wished. Returning from the opera, Mrs. Dawson knocked at her chamber door and received no response. Alarm was given, and the door was forced in, but Alice Dawson was nowhere to be found. The gas was burning brightly and an incomplete letter to a friend—the ink scarcely dry—lay upon the secretaire. The door was locked on the inside, the key was yet in the door. There was no other egress from the room, except by the windows. The house was searched from top to bottom; also the grounds. The servants were questioned, but nothing was elicited. Miss Dawson had not been out of her room, at least to the knowledge of any of them. Everything in the room was in its proper place, and there was no evidence of a struggle. This is the very room from which Alice Dawson disappeared, and from that time to this—nearly three years—she has never been seen."

"This is a strange story, truly," I said. "But were detectives employed in the case?" "Yes; the very best that could be had. Five thousand dollars were offered as a reward for the recovery or for the conviction of any one connected with her abduction. The reward was finally raised to \$10,000, where it still remains. The papers were full of these details at that time. The detectives visited the premises, ransacked the house, questioned the household, secured descriptions and pictures, and usually gave this very natural theory of the mystery. The girl was a foundling; her father or mother had watched her with a jealous eye and deter-

mined to possess the accomplished daughter—perhaps only for the reward that they knew would be offered.

Perhaps the parent had seen her and told her all, and this evening had been arranged for the elopement. She had stubbornly refused to accompany Mr. and Mrs. Dawson to the opera. Yet, if there had been collusion, why had the door been locked on the inside and the gas left burning. It would, of course, have been an easy matter to descend by a ladder placed up to the window; but why should this precaution be taken? Whatever may have been done by the detective, the case remains as much a mystery to-night as it ever was."

"This is all very strange," I said, "but you have not told me why Mr. Dawson does not reside here, I cannot just see the connection between this mystery and his removal from this house."

"What I have told you I obtained principally from an old newspaper file. Of course I was unable to learn the exact cause of the removal of the Dawsons, but it seems quite reasonable to suppose that Mrs. Dawson, being reminded of her lost daughter every time she entered this room, urged her husband to vacate the house. However, I am inclined to think that a clairvoyant; that the facts relating to this mystery are known to him, and the principal circumstances are now in my possession. I have not succeeded, however, in eliciting all the incidents, but I am convinced that the conditions are such to-night that everything will be related just as it occurred."

"Convince me that what you say is true and you shall have the reward before you leave the house."

"You shall be entirely satisfied, and at once," said the operator, and he took note-book from his pocket and knelt by the imbecile, and the following dialogue ensued:

Question. You are about to witness

the great drama of "Nobody's Daughter."

The orchestra has ceased play-

ing and the curtain is about to rise.

Do you see clearly?

(After a pause of about thirty seconds)—

A. Yes, I see.

Q. You do not like this play. You are restless—disturbed. About whom are you thinking?

A. About Alice.

Q. The curtain is about to fall upon the first act and you are going out. Where are you going?

A. I'm going home to see my dog Fido. You love me, don't you, kids? But pa and ma don't. They love Alice and buy her nice things, and bracelets, and fine dresses, and everything;

and I don't have anything, do I?

They don't care for me. I'm only an idiot, and she can read books. See the light in her window? She's reading now, I guess; and she's all alone.

She took pa and ma away from us,

didn't she? but if I can hide her away

where they can't find her, they'll

love us again. If I could reach that

fire-ladder I could climb up and look

in her window and see what she's doing.

(Pause.)

Q. What is she doing?

A. She is writing, I guess; but she

can't see me. I can get in the window and crawl up to her. She has a handkerchief tied round her neck, and if I can pull the end tight she can't

make a noise. The servants are away

down stairs and they can't tell. Oh,

how she looks at me; but she can't

make a noise. Now I must hide her.

(Pause.)

Q. Where are you going to hide her?

A. [Trembling] Oh, her eyes, her eyes. (Pause.)

Q. She can't harm you. Where are you going to hide her?

A. In the steeple. I can unlock

this door and take her up. I can take

this top off and then I can put it on

again. Now, I must go and lock the

door again and go down the ladder, or

else some one will know. I must go

back to the opera now. They can't

find her now, and then they'll love me.

Why, the curtain is just rising—

Mr. Dawson had swooned.

That very night we recovered the

remains of Alice Dawson from a cor-

ner turret of the Dawson "castle," and

buried them in the grounds. The re-

ward was paid, but upon condition that

we should lay oath never to reveal the

secret during the life of any member

of the household.

Mr. Dawson has just passed away,

having survived the other members of

the family; hence I am at liberty to

relate these facts, withholding only the names.

E. P. S.

Albani and the King of Holland.

Mme. Albani has been the heroine of a rather unpleasant incident at the Hague, where she was engaged to sing for one evening at a court representation at 1000 florins. She was ignorant

of the fact that artists there are ex-

pected to give a general private re-

hearsal before the King previous to the

official performance. Hence her as-

tonishment on March 17th at receiving

a summons to attend the prima

donna at 12 that day. She sent back

word in reply that she new her part

sufficiently well not to need rehearsing

which could only fatigue her for the even-

ing's performance. Every en-

dorror was used to induce the prima

donna to attend, but without avail.

When the negotiations came to the

knowledge of the King, he sent her

word that he would be very sorry to

trouble her to come and fatigue herself

at the palace that evening. In view

of this significant message, Mme. Al-

bani quitted the Hague for Amsterdam.

making notes.

Tuesday evening arrived and we were ushered into the transatlantic parlour at the residence of Mr. Dawson. I asked my friend if the portal over the mantel was of Alice Dawson, but at that moment Mr. Mrs. and Alfred Dawson entered. The latter greeted my companion very cordially, but did not seem pleased at my presence. In a few minutes he evinced signs of "sleep walking," and the wonderful changes of facial expression took place which I had noticed on the previous occasion. The operator made one or two passes and the subject closed his eyes and slept. Mr. Dawson held a whispered consultation with my friend and Mrs. Dawson withdrew from the room.

"Now, Mr. Dawson," said my companion, "I have been informed that a reward of \$10,000 has been offered for the recovery of your abducted daughter, or for the conviction of the abductor or abductors. Have I been correctly informed?"

"You have," said Mr. Dawson; "but what has that to do with your operations upon my son?"

"I will tell you. At my last operation I ascertained that your son is a clairvoyant; that the facts relating to this mystery are known to him, and the principal circumstances are now in my possession. I have not succeeded, however, in eliciting all the incidents, but I am convinced that the conditions are such to-night that everything will be related just as it occurred."

"Convince me that what you say is true and you shall have the reward before you leave the house."

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## The Newport Mercury.

John P. Edwards, Editor and Proprietor.

SATURDAY, MAY 10, 1864.

State making on the probable result of the National Republican Convention is now in order.

The Grant &amp; Ward failure in New York presents a very bad appearance. It is said that their liabilities will amount to ten millions.

Judah P. Benjamin, the Confederate Secretary of War, died in London Wednesday night. He had made great reputation as a distinguished jurist since the war.

Randall and the forty Democrats who voted with him to defeat the tariff bill had better come into the Republican camp now and let the five Republicans who voted for free trade go over to the other party.

The Tribune has figured out Blaine's nomination on the second ballot, the Herald has nominated Arthur ditto, while the Times has settled it that neither Arthur nor Blaine can be nominated. Political prophecies are of very little account before election.

The general chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, Maj. Wm. A. Poole of Johnston, has been appointed by the President Indian Inspector. If the Major should make the redskins one of his characteristic speeches they would surrender unconditionally.

Rear Admiral Baldwin, Commander of the American Squadron in the Mediterranean proposes to go to Constantinople with his fleet.

The pasha says that American vessels have no right to pass the Dardanelles. The Turkish government is therefore unhappy.

The pope has issued a bill against the Free Masons. If the pope had ever been inside of a Masonic lodge he would have known better what he was talking about. As it is, his trade has made the old man appear very ridiculous in the eyes of those who know what Free Masonry is.

They call Theodore Roosevelt the young Hercules of New York politics. He is only twenty-three years old but he has already upset most of the calculations of many of the older heads in politics. He has whipped Warner Miller and Johnny O'Brien combined and slaughtered most of the Democratic party.

The free trade journals like the Evening Post are very unhappy over the defeat of the Morrison bill. These papers might as well submit calmly to the inevitable; this country does not intend to put herself in a position where she will be dependent on England and for all her manufactured goods, and be compelled to compete with the whole world for a market for her raw material.

The Morrison tariff bill is dead, and the country is relieved for the time being from the impending danger which such a sweeping horizontal reduction in the tariff would have caused. One hundred and nineteen Republicans and forty Democrats in the House voted against the bill and one hundred and fifty Democrats and five Republicans voted for it. There were only ten persons not voting out of a full house of 224 members, and those ten were paired. Morrison now threatens to carry the matter into the next national campaign and make his free trade scheme a part of the Democratic platform. If he succeeds New York, New Jersey and Ohio can be counted as safe Republican States.

If anyone wishes to know what free trade at last will do for a country let him what surprised the speech of Hon. Jonathan Strong, twice in the House of Representatives and roof areas at Washington on the tariff question. The picture he drew of English on the boulevard from English authorities, in appearance the comparison made with the grand park, edition of the laboring classes in arboreal splendor, showed a large percentage able blood favor of laborers in this country building, and argument in favor of protection stored.

We entered, we could see that very the interior of the free trade party attempted outside the impossible feat. Mr. Chase's ad-

ceilings, ought to be read by every think-

man and woman in the land.

After ex- another of those terrible ocean dis- of which we have had so many years, has just come to light. The

treme and able for things as and stow short time and the room

the negligence of some officer on

board one of the vessels. It seems

strange that more lives could not have

been saved when there was a smooth sea and at least half an hour's time

between the collision and the sinking.

Bei in this, as in all former disasters of the kind, the officers appear to have been incompetent, the boats were not in order and the crew entirely undisciplined. It would seem that the

negligence that allows an

steamship to go to sea with off-

and crew undisciplined and with

the saving apparatus in such a deplorable condition as it has been proved to

be in every emergency, should be se- garded as a great sin.

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The fifty-eighth annual meeting of the American Institute of Instruction will be held at Cottage City, Martha's Vineyard, Mass., beginning Monday evening, July 7, and continuing through July 8, 9, and 10. There will be practical essays and discussions by practical educators on practical subjects; e. g., Text-Books and Oral Instruction; Industrial Training; How to Teach Morals; How to Teach the English Language; How to Teach Citizenship, Geography, Natural History, etc. Gov. Robinson, Ex-Gov. Chamberlain, State Supt. Dickinson of Massachusetts, State Supt. Patterson of New Hampshire, Dr. Wm. T. Harris, Dr. G. Stanley Hall, Prof. Buckham, Rev. Dr. Duryea, Gen. Eaton, Prof. A. S. Hill, Prof. C. T. Winchester, and other distinguished men will deliver addresses. Delightful inexpensive excursions will be given, each conducted by gentlemen thoroughly conversant with the locality, who will point out and explain all matters of special interest. Among these are the following:

To Gay Head, the scene of the "City of Columbus" disaster, famous for its Indians, its geology, its light-house, its many colored clays, its grand ocean scenery, and its curious legends. Professor Dwight of Vassar College, and Hon. Richard L. Poore of Edgartown, will conduct this excursion.

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## SOUND TRAVEL.

Between the "Hub" and the Metropolis.

The announcement is made by the management of the Fall River line that the steamer Providence, which was recently placed in commission, will run opposite the Pilgrim regularly during the coming season. The Bristol has been withdrawn for extensive repairs and a thorough overhauling. It is the intention, if she can be got ready in time, to place her in service on the Newport line in August. The new iron steamer of this company's fleet, the Pilgrim, fully justified during her career last season the predictions concerning her so confidently made while she was building, and proved herself fast, staunch, powerful, and in every way the most comfortable, besides being the most elegant steamer of the kind ever placed at the disposal of the traveling public. Her consort, the Providence, was handled last summer for extensive repairs and during the past year was thoroughly overhauled, her hull practically rebuilt and many improvements made, the whole requiring an outlay of over \$100,000. She has just been re-dressed, renovated and placed in superb condition for spring and summer service, and is now, if possible, more beautiful and more magnificient than ever, a worthy member of the finest fleet of passenger steamers in the world, plowing upon inland waters. These magnificent vessels are now running Sundays as well as week days.

The attention of everybody is called to the concert which is to be given on Thursday evening next at the Opera House by the singing school which has been under the direction of Prof. Soule during the past 3 months. It will be seen in our advertising columns that selections by the school and from first class solo talent from away will constitute the programme. The most hearty response to the requirements necessary to make the undertaking a success has been made, and in order that the public may know what has been done. We would state that every expense attendant upon such a concert has been given to by different parties.

Mr. C. E. French, more popularly known as "Frenchy" has been making improvements in his place of business for the better accommodation of his patrons. He has just added a room of John Matthews' celebrated "Open" fountain of black marble, with silver fountains, and trimmings. From this will be dispensed soda, Vichy, and Root Beer. It is also arranged for tea variation of syrups and cream, and in reality a lady affair, and will be in constant demand when the warm weather reaches Newport.

Real Estate Sales.

Levi Johnson has sold 1000 square feet of land on Southwicks and Union Streets to Patrick O'Conor for \$10,000.

Patrick H. Morgan has sold the estate on the western side of Pond Avenue, adjoining that of T. C. Donahue on the south and Nelson Taylor on the north, to Jackson Carter for \$2000.

Mrs. Luther Bateman has sold the estate on 98 Mill street, containing about 10,000 square feet of land with buildings, to Wm. P. Clarke on private terms. Mr. Clarke proposes to remove the old house and build a new one at once.

The abattoirs on Spring and Franklin Streets, subject to a horse railroad on those streets, and certain other people object to horse railroads at all, while certain other people desire to ride in a horse car occasionally. To harmonize the views of all these classes the Committee on Streets and Highway have advertised a public hearing for next Monday evening.

In payment for much of the soup shipped to New York during the past week, our dealers have received checks drawn on the Marine Bank in New York, which recently suspended. The parties giving the checks, however, are good pay and the local dealers anticipate no losses from them.

A Pleasant Occasion.

On Monday evening, May 8th, a large number of Mrs. Thomas A. Richardson's friends met at his residence at Fairhaven, Dartmouth, and gave him a surprise in honor of his 75th birthday. To keep the matter a secret only Mrs. E. was told and she of course came to the party. Upon arriving at the entrance of the house, and while all was quiet within, a sound was heard and the old song of old time, "Should my old acquaintance be forgot," was sung. The surprised host began to wonder how to provide something nice for his guests, but Tillinghast, the furniture master, was on hand and a beautiful table was spread there holding plates and cutlery to spare. Those present, however, did not express many wishes that the hostesses might like to enjoy many returns of the day. Many prominent parties were of the number and will long remember their pleasant time spent at the beautiful spot called Fairhaven at Fairhaven.

Mrs. Thomas A. Richardson was a New-York lady and is sister-in-law to Mr. Samuel Carr, president of the National Exchange Bank in this city. The Newport friends of the aged couple were well represented at the gathering Monday evening.

Eight Hundred Bushels Onions just arrived.

I take pleasure in testifying to the merits of Bradley's Soda Ash, and wish to submit the following results of my experience with it. I used it the past year for onions with no manure, and secured eight hundred bushels of very nice onions. I also used Bradbury's Phosphate for early cabbages, side by side with Sulphate of Soda. Those grown on the phosphate manured earlier and were of better quality. I consider Bradbury's Soda Ash is the best. A. T. SMITH.

Sundays.

In the Shade.

Hon. R. C. Payne, City Alderman, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, writes: "I have been a great admirer of your publication for years and have tried every known remedy, including galvanic batteries and Turkish baths. Finally I tried St. Jacobs Oil the great pain-killer and can positively say it gave me instantaneous relief. It puts all other remedies in the shade."

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**NEWS OF THE WEEK.**

From all Parts of the World.

**A Train Telecopied.**

CHICAGO, May 6.—A dense fog prevailed this morning, when the Chicago and Eastern Illinois suburban train left Auburn with passengers coming into the city. A stop was made at South Elginwood, and just as the passenger train was pulling out, a heavy locomotive of the Grand Trunk road, plunged into it, splitting the car and telescoping the other two, pinning the passengers in the broken lumber and flooding the interior with steam from the engine boiler. Two persons were probably fatally and twenty seriously injured.

**A Kentucky Murderer.**

FRANKFORT, Ky., May 5.—Frank Egbert, aged 23, was shot by Tom Griff, here, early this morning. The wound is believed to be fatal. The cause of the shooting was an old grudge. This is the fourth man Griff has shot during the past three years. Only two months ago he was acquitted for killing the chief of police here about a year ago.

Another Ocean Disaster.—The Florida lost in mid-ocean and 16 Persons Drowned.

FATHER PAP, Que., May 7.—The steamship Thistle, from Glasgow, passed inward 5:45 o'clock this morning. Ships on board 24 of the crew of the steamship S of Florida, that vessel being sunk by a collision with a steamer in mid-ocean.

Out of 107 souls on the State of Florida only were saved, and of the steamer's crew only the captain and two of the men saved. One hundred and twentysix souls went down with the ship and 12 with the steamer, making the total loss of life 136.

**Another Disaster.**

ST. JOE, N. F., May 7.—The steamship of the Guinea Line arrived at 8 o'clock last night in a disabled condition. Captain Brown reported as follows: On Monday, the 4th, while on our way from New York to Liverpool, four days out, we collided with the steamship Roma, of belonging to the Wilson Line, struck the ship on the port side in midships, bursting into the room. The Roma sank there an hour. Our passengers' crew came on board us in the boat. It was calm at the time a heavy swell on. Our compartment is full of water and we are beaten in from the deck. On Sunday we left the St. Laurent. I tranship passengers of the Roma no number, her crew and my own, or, to that ship.

**Wreck Three Miles Long.**

INN, N. F., May 7.—Captain W. the steamship Hector, one of the ships which arrived here yesterday, reports that on April 27, in latitude 41° 16' north, longitude 53° 25' west of Le Havre, about three thousand and about seventy feet long, with a number of harbors in it. Had he not been aware of the name of his ship, he should have had for an island.

**Steamship Disaster.**

INN, May 7.—A dispatch from New Bedford says: A broken rail 10 feet off the deck on the S. Louisville, the Wahab Railroad and Passenger coach and two separate ditch, injuring twenty people and three fatally. It is reported Conductor Vincent of Michigan, charge of one of the sleepers crushed and cannot live; also the Emma Walker of Vermont. Five surgeons have gone to the scene of the disaster. Hall, W. and Lightfoot, Worcester.

WOONSOCKET, May 8.—A brief but violent storm passed over this city to-day, followed by copious lightning and violence.

Ten Wives to Atoms by Drama.

MONDAY, May 8.—A fatal accident is reported Ayshire. In a hub at No. 100 a factory a cartridge exploding ten women to atoms and scalding two others.

Mr. Jacob Astor has given \$2000 for the fund for the New York Hospital, and its success is now. The money contributions amount to \$280,000, and there have been other donations amounting \$5,000.

The largest and best known estates in England are soon to be sold. The Webster estate at Marlow, the valuable Alvin Adams at Watertown.

Dr. John C. Buckus of Boston, who gave about \$30,000 to various Presbyterian institutions, and gave four parts of his library to the Francisco Theological Seminary.

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There are thousands of dollars annually lost to the farmers in every State for the want of good barns in which to stow away the products of the farm. Not only so, but when crops are good and prices low, a barn affords the most convenient place to hold them over for better prices. A good barn, for its advantages, is the cheapest building the farmer can put up, and yet its advantages are not appreciated as they should be by the larger portion of the farming community. Those that most farmers do have, are generally built of logs, probably fifty years or more ago, with more roof than room, and as much timber inside as there is in the walls—thus occupying space which could be more profitably taken up with the products of the farm. A barn should be built not less than eighteen feet high from the ground to the eaves of the roof, the same roof answering as for a lower one. Before building a barn, however, the first thing to be thought of, after fixing upon the site, is the material. Wood is certainly much the cheapest in most localities, especially where timber is plenty and sawmills convenient. But it should be borne in mind that the supply of timber is becoming scarce, and even if such were not the case, a more substantial material may be desirable. For this purpose brick and stone are preferable, not only on account of their greater durability, but from their less exposure to fire. Both these considerations have weight, and each one proposing to build must, therefore, judge for himself. No barn, however, is complete without its sheds, under which all the implements of the farm can be stored when not in use. A wagon, a reaper, or any other tool thus protected will last twice as long as when exposed to the open weather. The farmer, too, who has nothing to do on rainy days is a poor manager, as he can always find plenty to do in the way of repairing implements, mending and oiling harness, etc., all of which can be more conveniently done under some shelter at the barn.—[Baltimore Sun.]

**Seed Corn.**

Farmers cannot be too careful in selecting corn for seed. The Mechanicstown, Frederick county "Clarion," of recent date says; "Mr. H. C. Foreman took more than ordinary precaution last fall to provide himself with seed, allowing selected stalks to stand for a time after the crop was cut; this he husked and put away carefully to dry, not heaping it. About two weeks ago he selected therefrom one hundred and twenty-four of the best ears, from each of which he took one grain; these he planted in a hot bed and under these most favorable conditions but eighty-seven plants appeared, or but about two-thirds. It may almost be accepted as certain, that had this same lot of seed taken the chances of the field, imperfect covering, colder ground and possibly a cold rain, that one-half would be a liberal estimate of what might be expected to come up. To say nothing to the favorable opportunity for sowing this corn, it is probable that the average crib does not contain as good corn and our farmers should by all means test the seed that they intend to use before risking the planting of an entire field. It may save labor and loss of time."

Those who are thinking of planting fruit trees should lose no time in getting them into the ground. And when varieties of apples are chosen the Golden Russet should not be forgotten. It is the best apple to keep that exists. It has a good flavor when ripe, both for cooking and eating, and for one who loves the very best cider when it is out of season, and yet fresh, a bin full of russets in April or May will furnish the means for procuring it. The writer's stock of this apple is now coming into use, and always lasts until the Red Astrachans and Early Harvest are ripe, and thus the whole season is filled. A farmer in Connecticut reports having now some perfectly sound russets on hand from the crop of 1882.

**How To Raise Pigs.**

It is much better not to wean a litter of pigs all at one time. A temporary pen should be provided, in which the two finest specimens should be placed at eight weeks old, the next finest specimens at nine, and so on at intervals. When the litters are weaned, "those in milk until they take the last two

taken off will then make the finest of the lot and the sow's udder not become inflamed. In this way pigs at nine months old can be made to weigh from 200 to 250 pounds each.

**Killing Sorrel.**

A farmer tells his experience in a western paper as follows: "My plan of killing sorrel may be told in a few words, and it is plain, simple and effective. It is to 'make the land rich and cultivate it well.' Lime may be better than nothing, but a plentiful supply of good barnyard manure will do the business. When you have applied the manure, don't stop to quarrel with the sorrel, but cultivate for a good crop just as if no sorrel ever grew there, and you will wonder in a year or two what has become of the sorrel."

**Currants.**

Currants may be propagated by planting the seeds, by bending down bushes and covering a portion of them with soil, or by cutting off the suckers at some distance under the surface of the ground and removing them with small roots. The general way of propagating them, however, is by means of cutting. The cuttings should be formed of wood of the same year's growth, or of the previous season, if they are taken off in the spring. They should, to grow to the best advantage, be cut early in the spring before the sap starts. The cutting should be done with a sharp knife and the divisions made at the axis of a bud.

**Effects of Growing Clover.**

We can make land poor by growing clover and selling it, just as easily as we can make it rich by growing clover, and feeding it on the farm. Where necessary the land should be first drained, then cultivated thoroughly, so as to develop the latent plant food in the soil, and then grow clover to take up and organize the plant food for future use. In this way land can be made rich. Draining and cultivation furnish food for the clover, and the clover takes it up and puts it in proper shape for other crops.

**Feed For Young Chickens.**

Young chickens may be fed with almost anything that is given to older fowls, but it must be made fine to suit the weak digestion of the chicks. Coarse oat-meal, corn-meal and bran, wetted, crushed boiled potatoes and meal mixed are all good, but no sloppy food should be given.

With 24 pounds of beets and 6 pounds of bran, 6 pounds of corn-meal may be given to advantage; if cotton-seed-meal is used, 3 pounds would be enough. If it is desired to fatten the cow quickly, it would be better to give 10 pounds of corn-meal and no bran.

**Household Economics.**

Most women have some pet economy. With some the instinct is directed toward the saving of pins; others like to hoard brown paper and pieces of twine. Many tremble at the idea of any waste in coal and light; the furnace fire is kept at a minimum and the gas is turned off on the smallest pretext. Some believe that thrift consists in spending no money except at necessity demands, while others regard any make-shift, any living from hand to mouth, as the worst extravagance, and consider that real economy lies in having plenty of everything and using it with care. Contriving a meal out of nothing is the acme of satisfaction to many house-keepers, while others deny the possibility of such miracles.

A most attractive looking little book has lately been published, giving directions for delicate and savory dishes made out of the fragments that are left, which ought to delight the hearts of clever and frugal house-keepers. The author prefuses it by the remark that Americans are said to be more wasteful of food than any other people; and this is no doubt absolutely true.

Much of the apparent waste, however, is the result of the ample resources the country furnished the early settlers, which made it seem a waste of time to be saving odds and ends. Everybody would rather rough-hew a colossus from a rock than upon a cherry stone. It is, in fact, only a scientific cook or a clever woman of brilliant facility who can turn bits of tough beef, string chicken, and cold potatoes into the delicious "entrees" one finds here so engagingly described. A roast of beef or mutton has the merit of depending on simple agents,—fire and time; but to make good croquettes a cook must have studied processes, mastered a method—in fact, she must know her trade.

But then, there can be no doubt about it, it is a trade worth knowing, and of all household economies it is the worthiest, and has the best results. Few people have "chefs" presiding over their cuisine, and accordingly it is the mistress of the house who must carefully plan, direct and often do everything herself, in order to secure the wished-for results. These little "frugalties," as Mrs. Brown calls

them, are the coquetry of the table. They must not command attention, but plausibly provoke it. Even a platter of hash may look dainty and engaging if served on diamonds of well-browned toast and ornamented with sprigs of celery. And any kind of mince-meat may be formed into cones by a glass, browned in the oven, and then served surmounted by a bit of green. Frugilities must be made attractive, or they easily repel the taste.—[Health and Home.]

**Drinking While Eating.**

Nature never intended for people to wash down their food while eating. She has wisely placed salivary glands in various places in our mouths; they secrete a fluid for the moistening, besides a chemical action of the food after mastication. This gets the food in a suitable condition for swallowing. Drinking every few minutes while eating prevents the usual flow of saliva; also it washes it down before it can have a chemical action on certain portions of the food. One of the most pernicious habits to health is drinking several tumblers of water while eating; better drink warm drinks.—The stomach will not digest one particle of food when it has a temperature below 100° Fahrenheit; neither will it digest one atom of food until all the fluid is first absorbed. No healthy person should drink more than a half-pint of some mild fluid while taking food, and dyspeptics should not drink a drop while they are eating, nor for three or four hours after.

**Value of Lemons.**

Many people do not know the benefit of drinking lemonade. But the way to get the better of the bilious system without blue pills or quinine is to take the juice of the lemon in half a goblet of water, without sugar, before going to bed and another in the morning on rising. This will clear the system of humor, bile and malaria, promote digestion, and invigorate the appetite without any of the weakening effects of calomel, cayenne water, or podophyllo. People should not irritate the stomach by drinking lemon juice undiluted. It is too powerful an acid and injurious to the stomach. But properly diluted, so that it does not burn or draw the throat, it does medical work without harm, and when the stomach is clear of food has abundant opportunity to work over the system thoroughly.

**Fashion Fancies.**

White petticoats are only worn with full dress evening toilets.

Few or no fashionable dresses are made all of one kind of stuff.

Cheviots and beiges remain the favorite fabrics for traveling suits.

The favorite figures on brown linens are clover leaves in a brown tint.

Even white muslin dresses are made with waistcoats which are detachable.

Fancy woolens have raised figures embroidered, or brocde, with chenille.

White will again be the favorite festival dress for midsummer garden parties.

Among the French linens are changeable ones almost as pretty as the shot silk.

New white cotton batistes as wide as India muslins come with small old-fashioned figures.

Silk petticoats, with fine embroidered flounces, are worn by the most fastidious women.

It is impossible to enumerate the various shapes in which hats and bonnets are made nowadays.

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Brocaded satin crepe de chine, color on color—the figures quite small—are among the most elegant novelties of the season.

Even white dresses are made of two kinds of material, one plain, the other embroidered, brocde, dotted, sprigged, barred or striped.

Shoulder capes in chenille and lace, held together with rows of old-fashioned netting in silk, will be the dressy midsummer street wrap.

Long Newmarkets are made of cheviot, beige, and camel's hair cloths. They have tight bodices, full skirts, and shoulder capes, with high shoulders.

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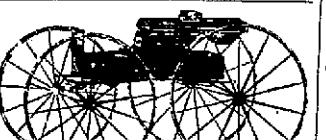
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